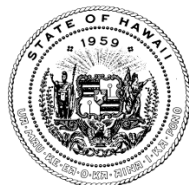


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S.B. 680, H.D. 1
RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY

House Committee on Finance

The Department of Transportation **supports** S.B. 680, H.D. 1 establishing a homeland security office.

The state needs a single, unified homeland security office that will advance our state's capabilities to detect and prevent terrorist or other man-made threats against our citizens, our communities, and our critical infrastructure. The consequences of an attack on our transportation infrastructure can harmfully impact many sectors, causing widespread disruption of essential services, damaging our economy, and imperiling public safety. 9/11 highlighted the fact that terrorists are capable of causing enormous damage to our country by attacking our critical infrastructure. Establishing a homeland security office will improve our defense against today's threats and keep us vigilant from unknown threats of the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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TESTIMONY OF THE HAWAII POLICE DEPARTMENT

SENATE BILL 680, SD1, HD1

RELATING TO FIREARMS

BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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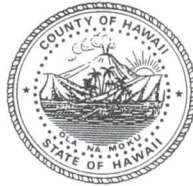
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March 28, 2013

Representative Sylvia Luke
Chairperson and Committee Members
Committee on Finance
415 South Beretania Street, Room 308
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RE: SENATE BILL 680, SD1, HD1, RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY

Dear Representative Luke:

The Hawai'i Police Department supports the intent of Senate Bill No. 680, SD1, HD1. The intent of this Bill is to enact a Homeland Security law to establish a State Office of Homeland Security within the State Department of Defense. The Bill would further authorize the establishment of county organizations for Homeland Security.

I am aware this proposed legislation was introduced and conceptualized months ago, but I am hard-pressed to think of how this Bill could be any timelier than the present. Indeed the recent ill winds of words proffered by a foreign nation directed toward military installations here in Hawai'i should in and by itself serve as an affirmation of the necessity of such an office for coordination purposes. While I am hopeful that our Aloha State will never again be a direct party to the armed conflicts of mankind, certainly preparedness is paramount nonetheless.

For these reasons, we urge this committee to support this legislation. Thank you for allowing the Hawai'i Police Department to testify on Senate Bill No. 680, SD1, HD1.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair
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House of Representatives
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Senate Bill No. 680, SD1, HD1, RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY

Dear Chair Luke and Members of the Committee:

The Maui Police Department supports Senate Bill No. 680, SD1, HD1, RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY.

This bill establishes within the Department of Defense an office of Homeland Security which will ensure coordination and cooperation among all organizations for homeland security, including county, state, federal and law enforcement agencies. This bill will codify functions already being performed by the state and consolidate them into one office. It will also allow counties to establish organizations for homeland security.

The Maui Police Department recognizes the severity of a potential terrorist threat and the devastation it would cause to infrastructure, communities, and the security and safety of the public. The passage of this bill will ensure better preparation, training, coordination and cooperation should such a disaster occur.

The Maui Police Department strongly supports this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

GARY A. YABUTA
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March 28, 2013

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chair Sylvia Luke, Vice Chairs, Scott Nishimoto & Aaron Johanson, and Committee Members
Public Hearing, March 28, 2013, 3:15 p.m., Conference Room 308, State Capitol

TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM F. ANONSEN
CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY COUNCIL
IN SUPPORT OF SB680 SD1 HD1
ESTABLISHES A HOMELAND SECURITY OFFICE

My name is William F. Anonsen, the Managing Partner/Principal of The Maritime Group, and the Chair of the State Civil Defense Advisory Council. I would like to express my personal support for consideration of SB680 SD1 HD 1 and its passage which would establish the Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense and help foster security cooperation between federal, state, county and private sector partners. This measure would provide the necessary statutory authority to help support a comprehensive program that provides security for our citizens, critical infrastructure, and economic vitality from the increasing possibility of terrorist or man-made threats.

The passage of this bill serves to strengthen Homeland Security initiatives and programs in Hawaii by codifying administrative and operational functions the state is currently performing, and consolidating them into a single office. This action will provide more efficient organizational structure that is needed to ensure our remote island state is best prepared to respond and protect our citizens, and support the efforts of state and county agencies.

Homeland Security is a top priority for the State of Hawaii, given our isolation and our vulnerability to a myriad of potential threats both natural and man-made. On behalf of the members of the Civil Defense Council, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration on this bill.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and comment on SB680 SD1 HD1

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Sylvia Luke
Chairperson
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Dear Representative Luke:

I am Paul Putzulu, director of the Hawaii State Fusion Center (HSFC). I am presenting testimony in **strong support** of S.B. 680, SD1 HD1.

The passage of S.B. 680, SD1 ensures the codification of functions and consolidation of responsibilities which strengthens the HSFC requirement to share information with Federal, state, local, territorial, and private sector partners as part of the National Network of Fusion Centers – a key provision of the 9/11 Commission Implementation Act. To date, more than sixty-six percent of states nationwide have implemented legislation that places fusion center functions within a Homeland Security Division. The creation of the Office of Homeland Security under the State Department of Defense will enable the HSFC to be housed in the appropriate location to maximize its results.

Major General Darryll Wong, State Adjutant General, recognized the need to develop a state-wide focused fusion center which would not only address all-crimes, all-hazards, but one that would also gather critical infrastructure and cyber attack information for analysis. This analysis would be disseminated to our Federal, state, local, territorial and private sector partners for appropriate action. It is far better to prevent an act from occurring than reacting to the event after the fact.

While the HSFC deals with homeland security issues, consequence management is also a key component of safety for the state. That role, performed State Civil Defense, remains a critical response and recovery function should a natural or man-made disaster strike Hawaii. S.B 680, SD1 would enable both agencies to separately perform their tasks while working within one department and serving under the direction of the State Adjutant General.

It is for these reasons that I **strongly support** S.B. 680, SD1 HD1 which would create the Office of Homeland Security under the State Department of Defense.

Sincerely,

Paul Putzulu
Director
Hawaii State Fusion Center

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**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 680 SD1 HD1
A BILL RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY**

House Committee On Finance

**Twenty-Seventh Legislature
Regular Session Of 2013**

March 28, 2013

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto and Committee Members:

My name is Ann Sakaguchi. I served as a former member of the Hawaii State Civil Defense Council for two terms from June 2002 to June 2010. I also head a disaster training program since 2005 that was established with federal funding from the US Department of Health and Human Services. The program has trained health professionals and first responders throughout the US since 2005. All of the face-to-face and online trainings are aligned with national training strategies, which have included awareness courses for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive Events, ie terrorism. **I am writing in opposition to Senate Bill 680 SD1 HD1** for the following reasons:

- 1) The establishment of a Homeland Security Office within the Department of Defense cannot be effectively implemented to address terrorism without considerable infusion of additional funds;
- 2) There is already a mechanism in place that addresses this such as the FBI, US Department of Justice, and the military when authorized.
- 3) The establishment of a new office with all the responsibilities and functions of a Homeland Security office without the manpower to adequately address homeland security issues will only compromise the public safety of the State of Hawaii.

Further studies to determine actual capabilities of the proposed office and responsibilities/functions of staff to perform those functions under the current proposal is recommended as a next step.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony,

March 28, 2013

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The Honorable Rep. Sylvia Luke and Rep. Scott Nishimoto
And the House Committee on Finance
State Capitol, Room 308
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: SB680, SD1 Relating to Homeland Security

Aloha Chair Luke, Chair Takai, Vice-Chair Nishimoto and Members of the Committee:

I am writing In Support of SB680.

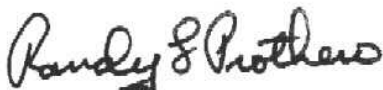
I am a member of the State Civil Defense Advisory Committee, but testifying as an individual.

I believe this bill is needed to assist the state in restructuring State Civil Defense. Currently that department is wearing many hats and while doing a wonderful job, needs to be more specialized and focused. Issues of homeland security are quite different than those of natural disasters, with different requirements and needs. Processing of security clearances is among the differing tasks that should be separated from the current State Civil Defense agency. I believe that a restructuring is needed. This bill would also allow the counties to do a similar restructuring if they chose.

With Hawaii being a tourist destination for people from all over the world and having such a large military presence, we can be a target for terrorist activities and as such need to maintain a high level of preparedness. I believe this bill will assist the state in better carrying out that task.

Thank you in advance for your support of this bill. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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March 27, 2013

Chair Sylvia Luke
House Committee on Finance
Twenty-Seventh Legislature, Regular Session of 2013
State Capitol Building
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Testimony on Senate Bill 680 SD1 HD1
A Bill Relating to Homeland Security

Dear Chair Luke and Committee Members:

My name is Jade Bowman, a school teacher and resident of Waimea, Big Island. I oppose Senate Bill 680 SD1 HD1.

I do not support this bill because it will result in a waste of my tax dollars. I do not want to see our taxpayers' monies going toward the creation of new homeland security offices in the state or counties. These will be an unnecessary burden on the taxpayers.

Establishing new offices of homeland security and personnel positions to staff these offices will cost money. Money that should be better spent on education and especially on science and technology programs for elementary and high school students. I can name many of these education programs that are hampered by the lack of funding.

I don't support this bill. To be clear, I don't want my taxpayer dollars going to establishing additional government offices we don't need.

I oppose this bill and request you to defer it.

Thanks for the opportunity to be heard.

March 28, 2013

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TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 680.

This bill is unnecessary and a waste of our taxpayers' money. So called "homeland security" is a federal concern anyway. We do not need an office of homeland security in the state.

It is questionable whether these so-called threats are "overblown" anyway. See the attached links to some of Professor John Mueller's course material and books etc. of Ohio State University, who is Woody Hayes Chair of National Security Studies, and the Mershon Center Professor of Political Science there. We have included only the references that are accessible online.

He is the author of the book

["Overblown: How Politicians and the Terrorism Industry Inflate National Security Threats, and Why We Believe Them"](#).

Our favorite one is comparing the risks of being killed by an international terrorist with being killed by an asteroid, in [pdf](#).

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**Testimony on Senate Bill 680 SD1 HD1
A Bill Relating to Homeland Security**

March 28, 2013

CHAIR SYLVIA LUKE AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Committee on Finance

Twenty-Seventh Legislature, Regular Session of 2013

State House of Representatives

State Capitol Building

Honolulu, HI 96813

My name is Joyce Walters and I am providing written testimony that opposes Senate Bill 680 SD1 HD1.

I do not support this bill, which will result in a waste of my tax dollars. I would rather see taxpayer monies support existing public safety operations. For example, the size of the Hawaii County Police Department is too small to effectively respond to a crisis, emergencies, and disasters. We feel the adverse effects of this situation in rural areas on the Big Island and in other rural areas around the state.

I do not want our taxpayers' monies going toward the creation of new homeland security offices in the state or counties. In my opinion, we don't need these and can't afford to pay for the unforeseen costs the new offices will encumber.

I strongly recommend that you defer this absurd bill!

Thank you.